



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5483

February Session, 2004

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AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSITIONARY RENTAL ASSISTANCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17b-811a of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

3 (a) The Commissioner of Social Services shall implement and
4 administer, within available appropriations, a program of transitional
5 rental assistance for private housing for persons who: [are] (1) Are
6 employed at the time they [exhaust time-limited benefits under] leave
7 the temporary family assistance program and who have income which
8 exceeds the payment standard under said program, or (2) are no
9 longer eligible for temporary family assistance because they have
10 reached the maximum months of eligibility, including any extensions
11 permitted by subsection (c) of section 17b-112, as amended, for which
12 they are eligible. The commissioner may establish a durational limit for
13 the receipt of such assistance which shall not exceed a period of twelve
14 months.

15 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall establish a simplified
16 eligibility determination and application process for transitional
17 rental assistance. The program shall be designed to allow the provision
18 of such assistance to commence with the first month in which the
19 applicant is no longer receiving benefits under the temporary family
20 assistance program.

21 (c) The Commissioner of Social Services shall implement [the]
22 policies and procedures necessary to carry out the provisions of
23 subsections (a) and (b) of this section while in the process of adopting
24 such policies and procedures in regulation form, provided notice of
25 intent to adopt the regulations is published in the Connecticut Law
26 Journal [within] not later than twenty days after implementation. Such
27 policies and procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations
28 are effective.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In line 10, the phrase "including any extensions" was substituted for "or the maximum number of extensions as" for added clarity.

HS *Joint Favorable Subst.*